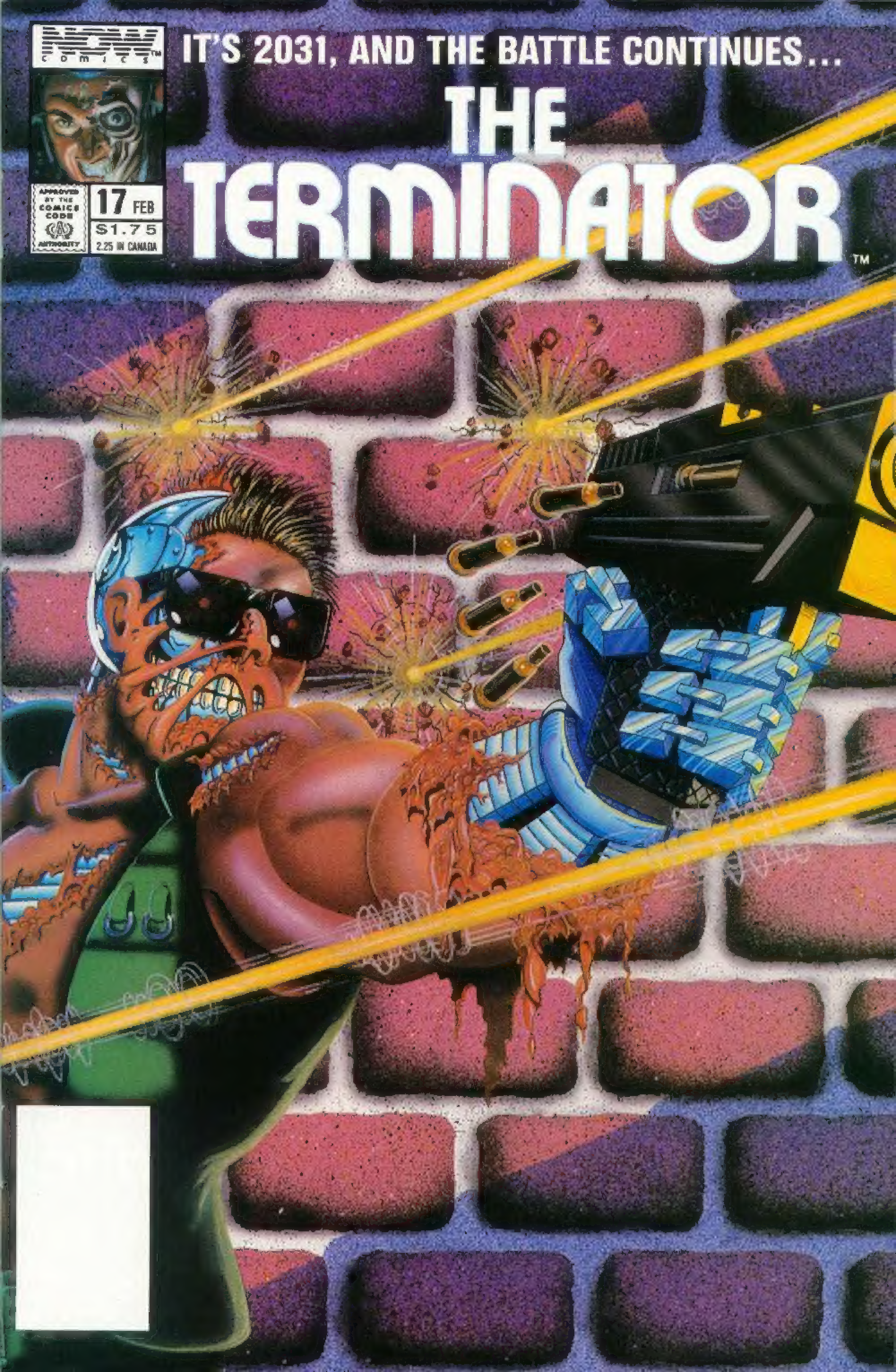
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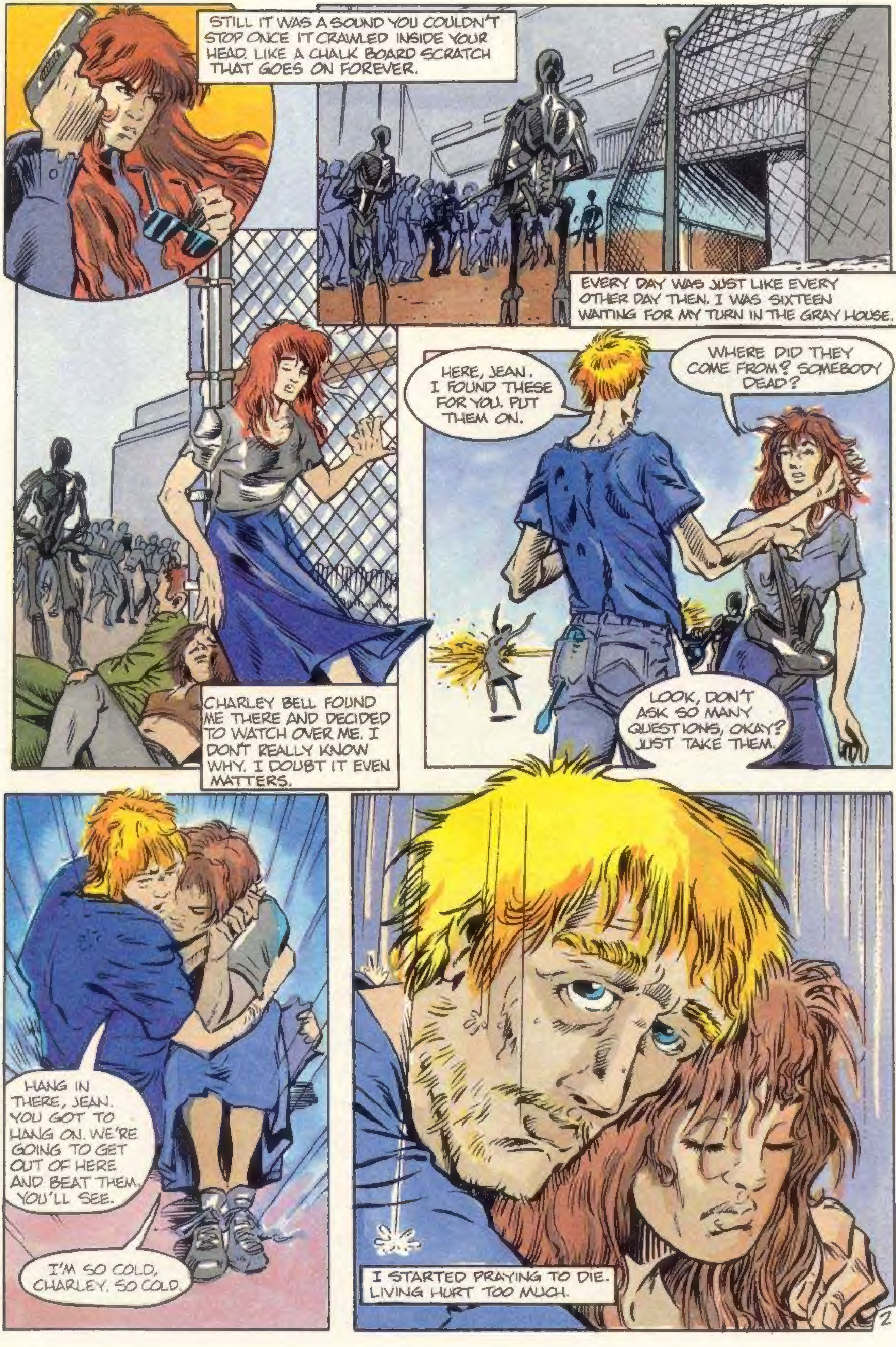

STILL IT WAS A SOUND YOU COULDN'T STOP ONCE IT CRAWLED INSIDE YOUR HEAD. LIKE A CHALK BOARD SCRATCH THAT GOES ON FOREVER.
EVERY DAY WAS JUST LIKE EVERY OTHER DAY THEN. I WAS SIXTEEN WAITING FOR MY TURN IN THE GRAY HOUSE.
CHARLEY BELL FOUND ME THERE AND DECIDED TO WATCH OVER ME. I DON'T REALLY KNOW WHY. I DOUBT IT EVEN MATTERS.
HERE, JEAN. I FOUND THESE FOR YOU. PUT THEM ON.
WHERE DID THEY COME FROM? SOMEBODY DEAD?
LOOK, DON'T ASK SO MANY QUESTIONS, OKAY? JUST TAKE THEM.
HANG IN THERE, JEAN. YOU GOT TO HANG ON. WE'RE GOING TO GET OUT OF HERE AND BEAT THEM. YOU'LL SEE.
I'M SO COLD, CHARLEY. SO COLD.
I STARTED PRAYING TO DIE. LIVING HURT TOO MUCH.

FINALLY, IT SEEMED I WAS ABOUT TO GET MY WISH.
YOU TOO. INTO THE LINE OVER THERE.
JEAN! NO!
WHA...?
RUN, JEAN! RUN!
NO CHARLEY. DON'T DO IT! I WANT THIS.
YOU STEEL BAS-
TUNK!

KID IS PRETTY STUPID, MR. MCWILLIAMS. IMAGINE, THROWING A ROCK AT A TERMINATOR?
YOU'D THINK HE WOULD KNOW BETTER BY NOW.
GO AHEAD, SHOOT ME! YOU DUMB MACHINE! I AIN'T AFRAID OF YOU!
KIDS! YOU CAN'T TEACH THEM ANYTHING!
JUST TOO STUBBORN!
ENTER FORMER ARMY CAPTAIN CLEVE ANDREWS AND...
CRIPES!
...CORPORATE LAWYER LAFE MCWILLIAMS.
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IT WAS A NICE TRY, ANYWAY!
KEEP SHOOTING THAT THING! KILL SOME MORE!
MOVE! OUT OF THE WAY OR DIE!
IT WAS AT THAT MOMENT THAT THE WORLD CHANGED.
STOP THEM BEFORE THEY START A RIOT!
THE GROUND UNDER MY FEET SUDDENLY CAME TO LIFE...
...AND STARTED TO THROW UP.
EARTHQUAKE!
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WE'RE DOOMED!
RUN! RUN!
GOT TO GET OUT OF HERE!
LOOK OUT!
RRRUMMBLE
OPPORTUNITY KNOCKS, MR. MCWILLIAMS.
KAWHAMMMMM
INDEED, IT DOES, CAPT. ANDREWS. LET'S GO FOR IT!
COME ON JEAN! NOW'S OUR CHANCE TO ESCAPE!
ESCAPE? WHERE?
NEVER MIND. JUST RUN, JEAN. RUN!
OH!
OUT OF THE WAY YOU OLD HAG!
STEADY, ALL OF YOU! DON'T CROWD IN!
WHAT?
OVER THERE ON THE GROUND!
ZZARK

"THE GUARD IN THE TOWER!"
ZOWK
MOVE OUT OF THE WAY!
I CAN'T GET A CLEAR SHOT AT HIM!
JERRY!
TAKE THAT YOU HEARTLESS PIECE OF JUNK!
SHRIPP!
HEY! WHAT DOES IT TAKE TO STOP YOU MONSTERS?
JUST A LITTLE PLASMA KISS TO THE HEAD LIKE THIS! SEE?

I LIKE YOUR STYLE.
YOU'RE PRETTY MEAN WITH A BAT YOURSELF, LADY.
CAN WE SPARE THE INTROS UNTIL LATER, HUH?
SASHA BOVIC JOINED UP IN THE THICK OF IT. SHE ALWAYS LOVED A GOOD FIGHT.
I WAS TOO SCARED TO UNDERSTAND WHAT WAS REALLY HAPPENING AND JUST FOLLOWED AFTER CHARLEY.
WE GOT TO GET OUT OF HERE FAST, JEAN! THERE'S GOT TO BE A WAY.
CAN ANYBODY HOT WIRE A TRUCK?
I THINK I REMEMBER THAT NASTY HABIT FROM MY CHECKERED YOUTH. LET'S HOPE IT STILL HAS SOME GAS!
OKAY, NOW WE GIVE THESE TWO WIRES A LITTLE TWIST.
HURRY IT UP, WILL YAH!
r-r-rr-r-r-rr*
YOU WANT TO DO IT?

WOOEY! WE GOT IT!
GREAT! WHAT'S THE TANK GAUGE READ?
NEVER MIND THAT! WE GOT COMPANY!
YOU CANNOT ESCAPE!
SAYS YOU!
LADY, JUMP ON! LAFE, GET US THE HELL OUT OF HERE!
rrrROAR!
HANG ON!
FZZAK
OUT OF MY WAY SUCKER!
ALL RIGHT! HAVE IT YOUR WAY, PANCAKE!

KERRANG!
YAHOO!
YOUR FRIEND IS CRAZY!
YEAH! AND THAT'S HIS GOOD SIDE!
SKRREEEEEE
WAIT!
AH, CHRIST!
TAKE US WITH YOU!
DAMN, STUPID KIDS. I COULD'VE KILLED YOU! GET IN THE BACK FAST!
YES SIR. THANK YOU, SIR.

HUSTLE ABOARD, YOU TWO!
ZZAK
ZZAK
THEY'RE ON! GO!
VUMP! VOMP!
CEASE FIRING! THEY ARE OUT OF RANGE.
WHAT ARE YOUR ORDERS, SUB-CHIEF?
TAKE TWO JEEPS AND GO AFTER THEM. THEY MUST NOT BE ALLOWED TO ESCAPE.
I UNDERSTAND. I WILL FIND THEM, AND THEY WILL BE TERMINATED.
GOOD HUNTING. IT SHOULD BE GOOD SPORT.
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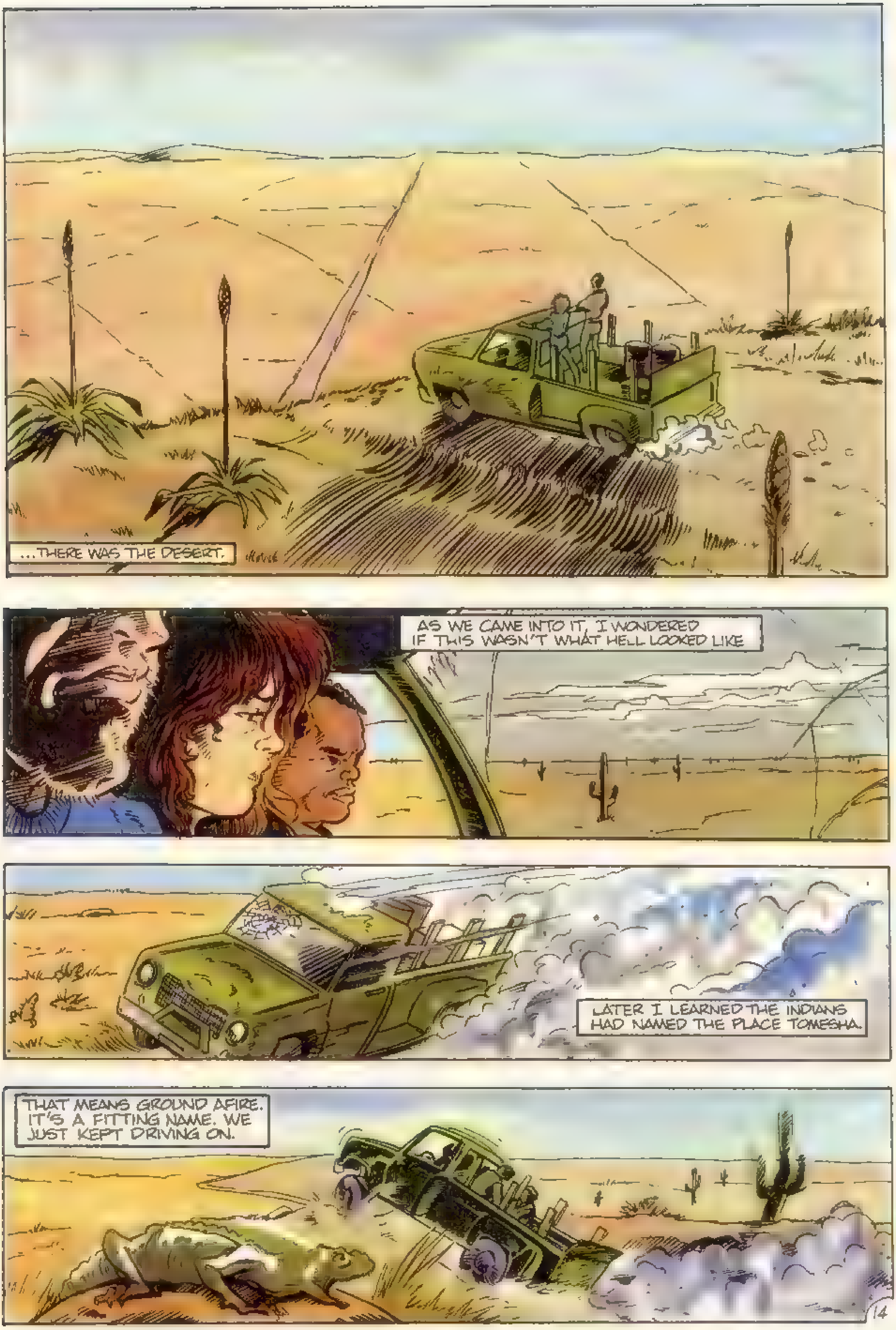
CAPTAIN ANDREWS HAD US STOP AND GET NEEDED SUPPLIES FOR THE TREK AHEAD.
HARDWARE
WHAT'S YOUR NAME, G RL?
JEAN STARR.
THAT'S NICE I'M SASHA SASHA BOVIC
WHY DO WE NEED ALL THIS STUFF, ANYWAY?
ASK THE CAPTAIN, KID. ME, I'M JUST A VOLUNTEER LIKE YOU.
WE NEED THE EXTRA FUEL AND WATER, BECAUSE THE FASTEST WAY OUT OF HERE IS EAST, THROUGH DEATH VALLEY INTO NEVADA.
DEATH VALLEY! THAT'S DESERT, AIN'T IT?
UEL
AND THEN SOME, KID. YOU SURE ABOUT THIS, CAPTAIN?
I FIGURE IT'S THE ONLY PLACE WE WON'T RUN INTO TERMINATORS. YOU HAVE A BETTER IDEA?
NOPE BUT I WISH I DID.
DAMN IT!
WHAT DO YOU SEE, SASHA?
BIG TROUBLE, GIRL! COMING OUR WAY!
TERMINATORS?
YOU GOT IT, SOLDIER BOY. TWO JEEPS HAULING TAIL ABOUT A MILE BEHIND US.
EVERYBODY MOUNT UP! WE ARE OUT OF HERE!

SO THE CHASE BEGAN. LAFE POINTED US TOWARD THE PASS THROUGH THE MOUNTAINS AND THE INFERNO BEYOND
HERE, PUT THESE ON. WHERE WE'RE GOING THERE ISN'T MUCH SHADE.
ALWAYS DID WANT TO SEE ME A REAL GHOST TOWN. I GUESS THIS IS GOING TO BE MY CHANCE.
THANKS. YOU THINK OF EVERYTHING
NOT REALLY. IF I HAD, I WOULD HAVE THOUGHT TO BRING ALONG A MAP.
HA HAHA HAAAAA!
HAHAHAHAHAHAHAHA
HA, HA. WHAT A BOY SCOUT HA, HA, HA.
THE EVENTS OF THE PAST FEW HOURS AND THE TRUCK'S MOTION OVER THE EMPTY ROAD FINALLY KNOCKED ME OUT.
I DON'T KNOW HOW LONG I SLEPT. I ONLY KNOW THAT WHEN I AWOKE...


...THERE WAS THE DESERT.
AS WE CAME INTO IT, I WONDERED IF THIS WASN'T WHAT HELL LOOKED LIKE
LATER I LEARNED THE INDIANS HAD NAMED THE PLACE TOMESHA.
THAT MEANS GROUND AFIRE. IT'S A FITTING NAME. WE JUST KEPT DRIVING ON.
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SOMEHOW, WITHOUT EVEN SAYING IT, WE ALL KNEW..
..THEY WERE STILL CHASING AFTER US.
SORT OF LIKE THE DEVIL COMING HOME.
KROW
R-R-RUNCH!
DAMN IT! A BLOW-OUT!

THAT WAS ONE UGLY STOP!
STUPID BALD TIRE. WE HAVE A FLAT.
SO, WHAT'S THE BIG DEAL? PUT THE SPARE ON.
AND WHAT MAKES YOU SO SURE, THIS OLD BUCKET OF BOLTS EVEN HAS A SPARE?
I... AH...
WE'D BETTER FIND OUT FAST.
HOT DAMN! OUR LUCK IS HOLDING OUT.
ONLY IF WE DON'T WASTE TOO MUCH TIME MAKING THE CHANGE.
I HEAR YOU, PAL.
ALL RIGHT. HERE'S THE SET UP. YOU AND CHARLEY HELP LAFE PUT THAT TIRE ON FAST. JEAN, I WANT YOU OVER WITH SASHA'S FIELD-GLASSES WATCHING THE ROAD.
AND WHERE ARE YOU GOING TO BE DURING ALL THIS?
BACK THERE.
WHAT? ARE YOU CRAZY?
MAYBE. THEY CAN'T BE MORE THAN HALF AN HOUR BEHIND US. I'M GOING TO JOG BACK ABOUT A MILE AND ESTABLISH A PERIMETER.
THAT'S SUICIDE. IF THEY SHOW UP TOO SOON, WE MIGHT NOT BE ABLE TO PICK YOU UP.
I DON'T EXPECT YOU TO. NOW GET BUSY, LADY. WE DON'T REALLY HAVE THE LUXURY TO DEBATE THIS.
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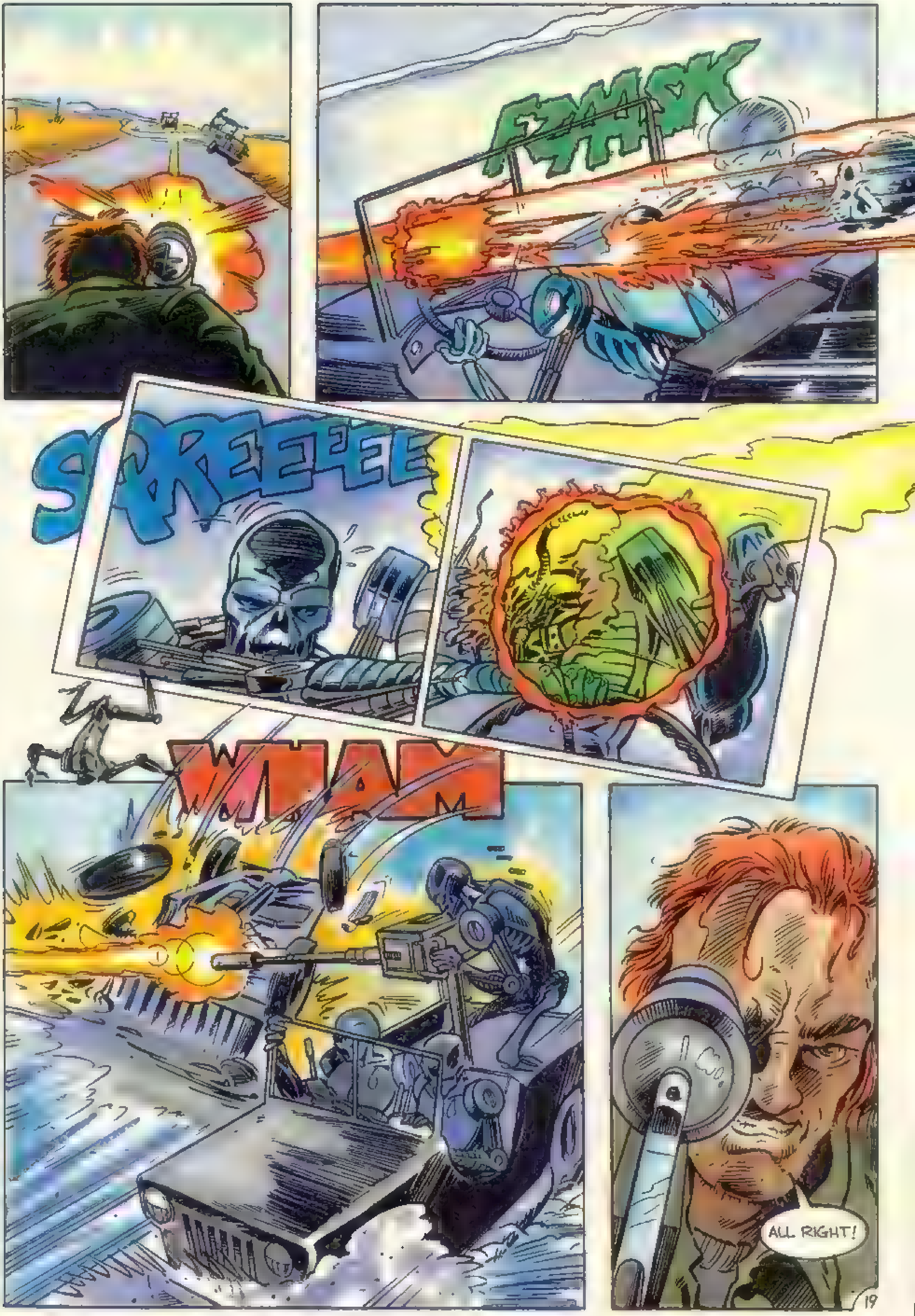
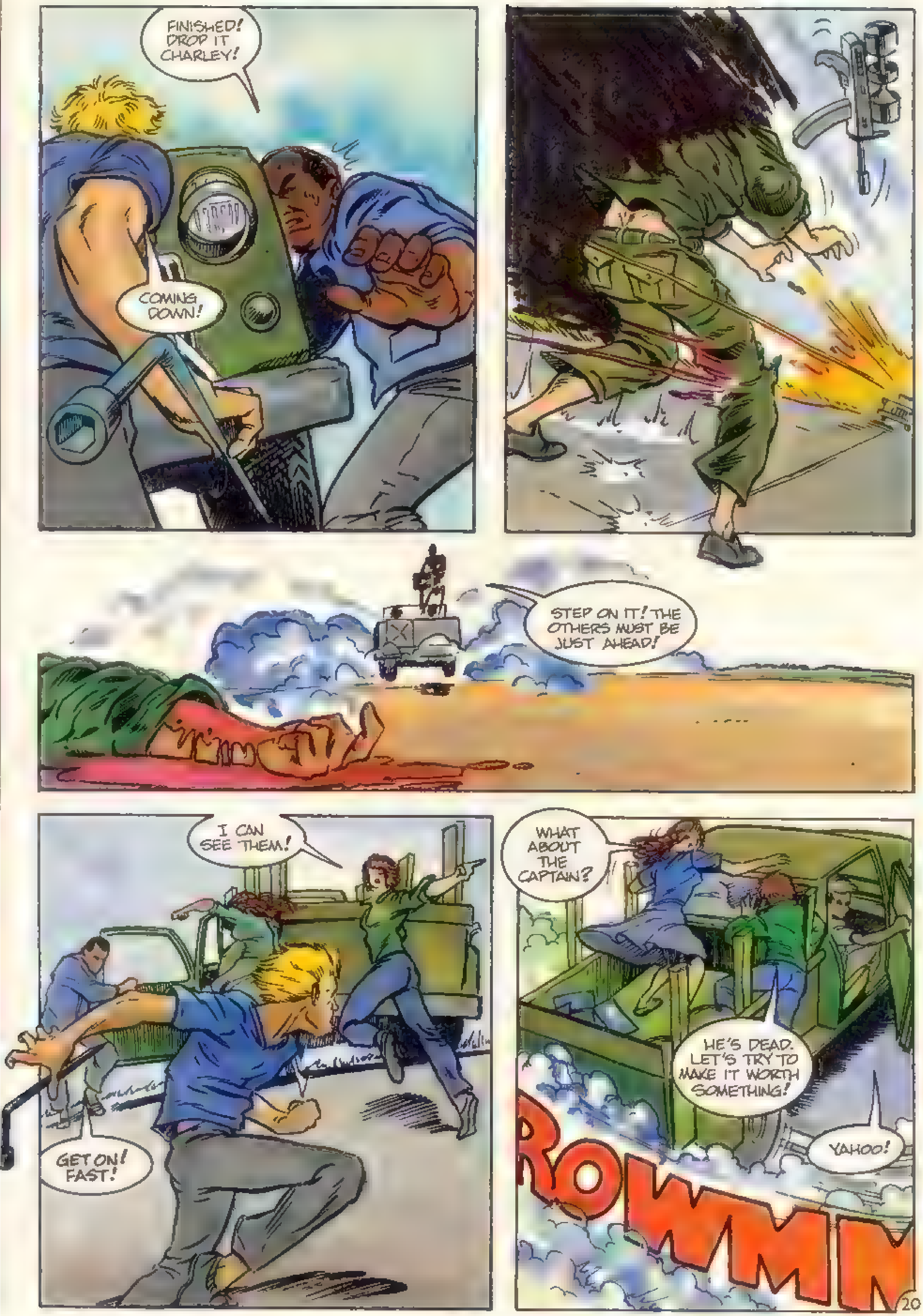
THEY'RE COMING! THE CAPTAIN IS WAVING HIS ARMS FOR US TO GO!
HOW MUCH LONGER?
I WAS THE LAST ONE OF US TO SEE THE CAPTAIN ALIVE!
ANOTHER COUPLE OF MINUTES. CHARLEY GIVE ME ANOTHER NUT! NOW!
COME ON BUDDY, BUY US A LITTLE TIME.
LOOK OUT AHEAD!


FZWACK
SCREEEEE
WHAM
ALL RIGHT!


FINISHED! DROP IT CHARLEY!
COMING DOWN!
STEP ON IT! THE OTHERS MUST BE JUST AHEAD!
I CAN SEE THEM!
GET ON! FAST!
WHAT ABOUT THE CAPTAIN?
HE'S DEAD. LET'S TRY TO MAKE IT WORTH SOMETHING!
YAHOO!
ROWMM

THERE THEY ARE! FASTER!
THEY'RE ALMOST ON US!
BAM
BAM!!
GET DOWN BACK THERE!
HANG ON, CHARLEY!
FOOO
VREEEEE
AAAGH!
VIPP!
NOW!

WHAM!
GET BACK ON THE ROAD!
WHAT THE HELL DO YOU THINK I'M DOING?
LOOK! A GHOST TOWN!
WELCOME TO SILVER DOLLAR
KID, WE MIGHT JUST MAKE IT AFTER ALL.
WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO, LAFE? THEY MUST BE RIGHT BEHIND US.
WE CAN'T OUTRACE THEM IN THIS OLD HEAP, THAT'S FOR SURE.
PLEASE STOP! SASHA'S BEEN HIT!
HOW BAD IS IT?
I'LL SURVIVE LONG ENOUGH FOR THEM TO KILL ME.
IT ONLY CUT HER, THAT'S ALL.
DAMN IT!

IF I ONLY HAD TIME TO THI... WHOA!
WHAT IS IT, LAFE?
THE FUEL IN THIS TANK! MAYBE WE CAN RIG A LITTLE WELCOME SURPRISE AFTER ALL.
WHAT'S YOUR PLAN?
OKAY, LISTEN UP.

LAFE'S IDEA HAD BEEN QUITE SIMPLE. MAKE THE TRUCK A BOMB ON WHEELS
DON'T STOP!
SIMPLE. HA, NOW THERE'S A JOKE.
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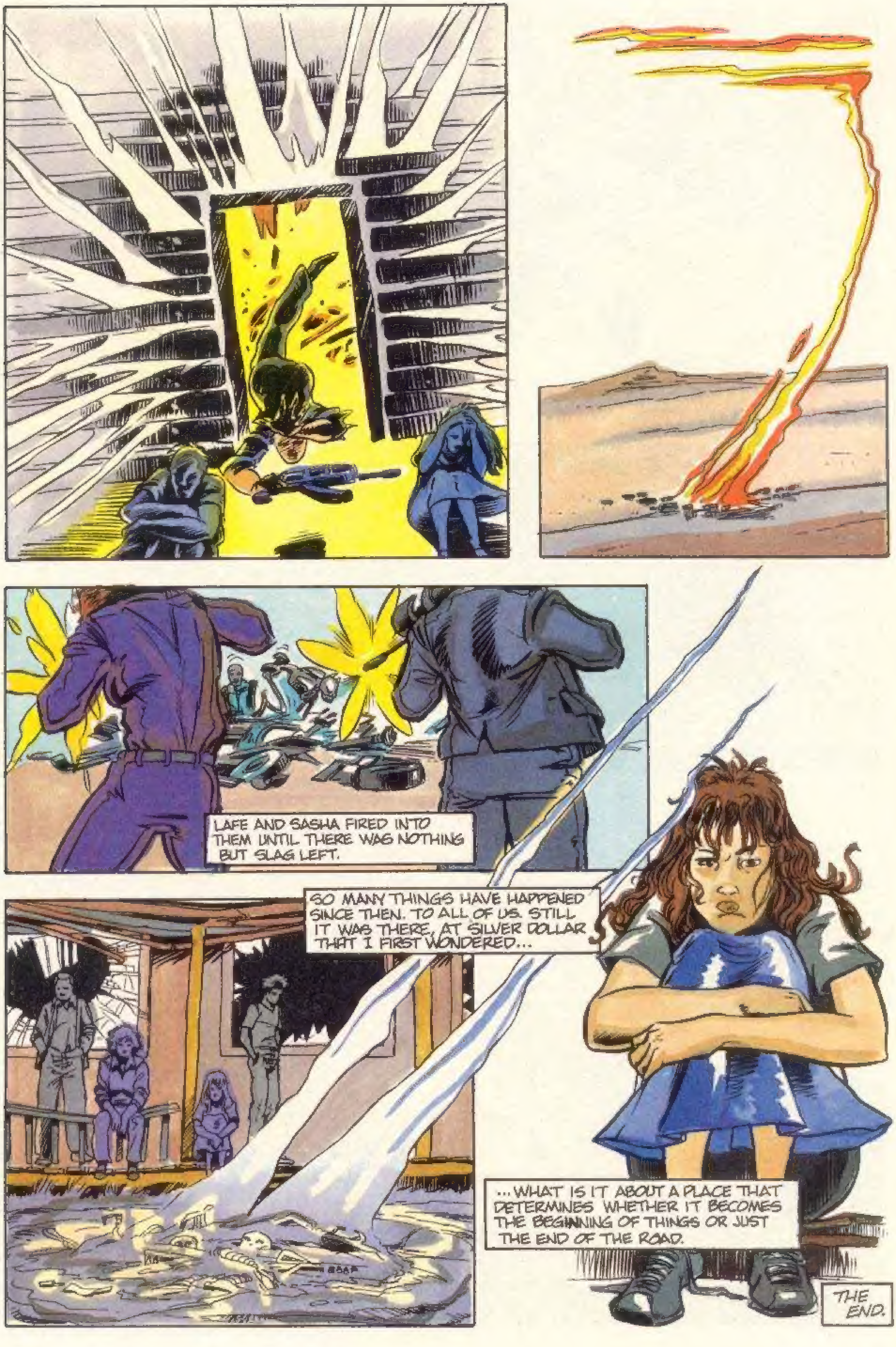
BWAAAAMMM!
NOW SASHA! NOW!
SO LONG SUCKERS.
NOOOO!
ZARK!


LAFE AND SASHA FIRED INTO THEM UNTIL THERE WAS NOTHING BUT SLAG LEFT.
SO MANY THINGS HAVE HAPPENED SINCE THEN. TO ALL OF US. STILL IT WAS THERE, AT SILVER DOLLAR THAT I FIRST WONDERED...
...WHAT IS IT ABOUT A PLACE THAT DETERMINES WHETHER IT BECOMES THE BEGINNING OF THINGS OR JUST THE END OF THE ROAD.
THE END.

NOW NEWSFLASH

First off, I'd like to admit to a discrepancy within our books, which was totally and unforgivably my fault. In last month's NOW NEWS FLASH, I mistakenly quoted the price of the WHAT NOW CAPER video as being $24.95, when, in actuality, the price should have read $29.95. I also (must have lost my head that day) said that the video was available in VHS only. Not true. For those of you who have yet to change over to the more widely used VHS format, the WHAT NOW CAPER video is also available in Betamax. My apologies.

Now, on to the big news of the month! Comic Conventions are hot this fall, and the hottest thing appearing at these conventions is our own Van Williams! That's right! It's the star of the 1960's Green Hornet television series, and he'll be appearing at conventions around the country signing comic books and posters!

First on the agenda, it's the Mid-Ohio Convention at The Ashland University Convention Center, in Ashland Ohio. I don't have all of the facts on this one, but you can call for more information. The number is (419) 526-0438.

Sunday, November 19, Van Williams will be appearing in person at the Orange County Comic and Collectibles Show, at the Sequoia Athletic Club. The address is 7530 Orange Thorpe Avenue, Buena Park, Cali. That's just outside of L.A. This show is only from 10:00 am to 5:00 pm. So don't miss it! Admission is $4.00.

In Chicago, at the Ramada Inn O'Hare, Van Williams will be appearing with the whole NOW COMICS crowd! Thanksgiving weekend, November 24-26!

Then, December 2 and 3, it's the Green Hornet creative team and Van Williams, at the Character Collectible Convention, in DC and Baltimore. Appearing will be Van Williams, Jim Steranko, cover artist for Green Hornet issue number one, Ron Fortier, Jeff Butler, and David Mowry. For more information call during business hours (301) 353-0708.

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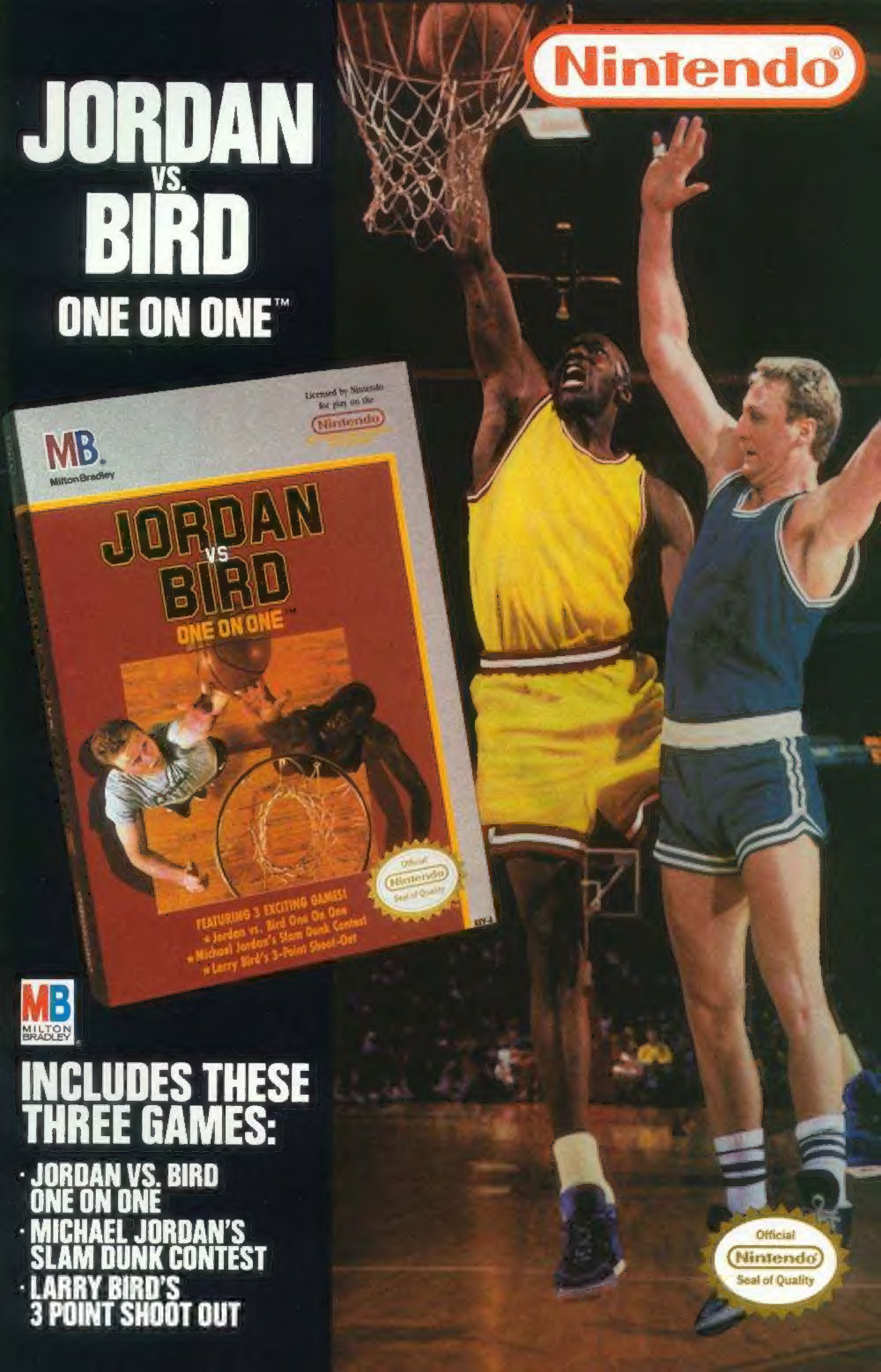

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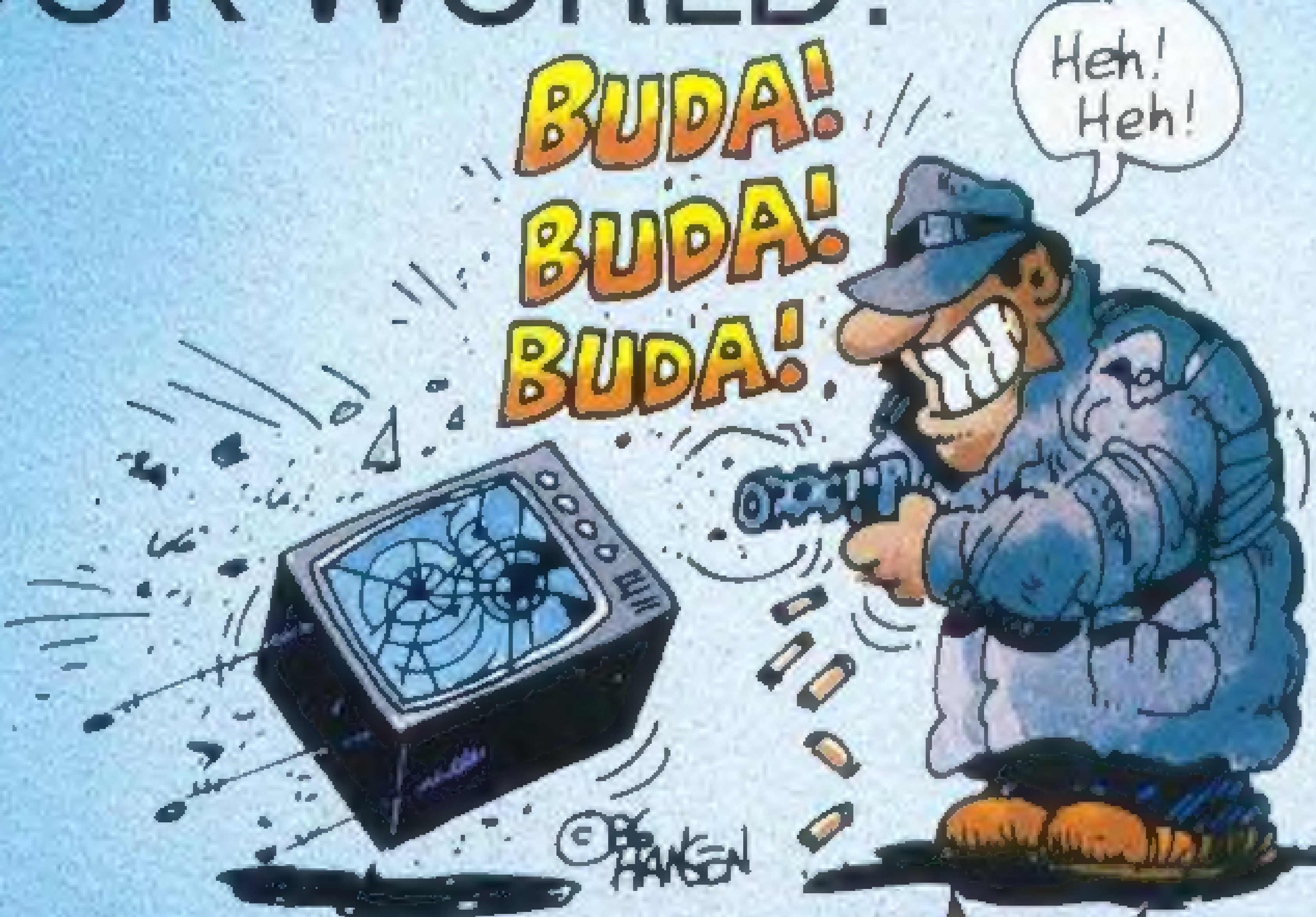

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